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DNA SEQUENCER

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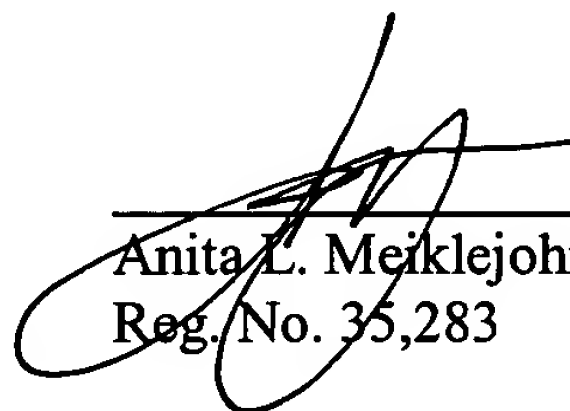
RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Responsive to the action mailed July 20, 2004, applicant elects the invention of Group I, claims 1-31, drawn to a method of determining the sequence of bases of a DNA or RNA. The election is made without traverse.

A Petition for Extension of Time with the appropriate fee is enclosed. Please apply any charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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